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- 2. Newly submitted claims 3-6, 8, 12, 16, 18, 21, 25, 27-29 and 37 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons: The originally presented claims are drawn to removing a toxin from circulation whereas the newly presented claims are drawn to the treatment of a specific condition, that is, cardiotoxicity caused by a lipophilic or amphiphilic anesthetic; the original claims are generic and not claiming any specific toxic effect whereas the newly presented claims are drawn to a specific disease state and thus, the newly presented claims are drawn to a new invention. Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, said claims are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03. Failure to present claims drawn to the original invention which were examined on their merits before would result in abandonment of the application.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gollamudi S Kishore, Ph.D whose telephone number is (571) 272-0598. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30 AM- 4 PM, alternate Friday off.

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